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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,
provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application
filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application No.	10/712,753
Filing Date	November 12, 2003
First Named Inventor	Tanaka et al.
Group Art Unit	2856
Examiner Name	Jacques M. Saint-Surin
Attorney Docket Number	ELG060-US1

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. & 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Other PTO-1449 with copies of cited art and certified copy of priority document

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(i) required).
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. Fees

The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 18-0560.
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) \$790.00
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed
- c. ☐ Payment by Credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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PATENT APPLICATION
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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

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Sir:

Claims 1 to 10 of this application have been allowed as indicated in a Notice of Allowability mailed December 28, 2004. The issue fee is not being paid and a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is being filed in order to bring art to the attention of the Examiner. Please charge the fee for this Request to Deposit Account No. 18-0560. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to this deposit account. Reconsideration, re-examination, and allowance are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2. Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3. Remarks begin on page 5.

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